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The reply filed on February 14, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The response to the restriction requirement is confusing. It states that "Applicants traverse to the extent that Applicant's believe claims 8-26 are readable on Figs. 28-29 as well as Figs. 19-21." For this reason, the Examiner cannot determine whether the election is truly with or without traverse since it seems to be conditioned on their belief of some fact. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Paul Prebilic whose telephone number is (703) 308-2905. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 6:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Corrine McDermott, can be reached on (703) 308-2111. The fax phone number for this Technology Center is (703) 872-9302.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 3700 receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0858.

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